

MRS. HALL ON STAND VOWS INNOCENCE

Knew Nothing About Husband's Love for Rival

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anything with it? A. Yes; about two years before his death he filed the firing pin down.

Q. Did William know it? A. No.

Describes Their Life

Q. Describe your husband's life. A. We had breakfast together in the morning. Then he went about his ministerial duties. We generally had supper together at night. Sometimes his duties took him out at night.

Q. Did you assist your husband in his parish work? A. Yes.

Q. Did you know Mrs. Eleanor Mills? A. Yes, for a short time she was in my Sunday school class. I don't know what else to say.

Q. Was anybody more zealous in church work than she? A. Yes, Mrs. Minna Clarke.

At this point Mrs. Hall noticed a news photographer who had slipped by the courtroom guards, and her insistent staring called Justice Parker's attention to the camera. The luckless photographer was ejected from the chamber and his camera confiscated.

Q. Was it customary to visit the home for the aged at Bound Brook? A. Yes, I went there. I drove with Mr. Bearman, my cousin.

She said she once visited the home for the aged in Bound Brook with "perhaps a dozen" others.

She didn't remember attending a Halloween party in the church house where her husband danced with Mrs. Mills all evening.

Took Mrs. Mills Home

When Mrs. Mills was in the Middlesex General Hospital she visited the choir singer and took her home when Mrs. Mills was convalescent, Mrs. Hall said.

"Upon your arrival with Mrs. Mills at her home that time did she make a remark to her daughter Charlotte?" asked McCarter.

Simpson objected.



Mrs. Henry Carpenter



Mrs. Mary Demarest

The question was overruled. McCarter referred to Mr. Hall's visits to camps to which church members went with him. She was accustomed to go on summer vacations with her husband. In 1922 she and her husband went to Islesford, Me. "We spent our time climbing mountains and walking about."

Q. Was he as devoted as ever? A. Yes.

Q. Had he been a devoted husband? A. Oh, yes.

Shown Her Mrs. Mills's Letters

Q. Did you know then of your husband receiving any letters from Mrs. Mills? A. Yes.

Q. Did he show them to you? A. Yes.

Q. When did you last see those letters? A. At Islesford.

Q. Have you been through your husband's desk in the house to see what papers he had left? A. Yes.

Q. Did you at Islesford receive any letters from Mrs. Mills? A. Yes.

Showed Husband Letters

Q. Did you show them to Mr. Hall? A. Yes.

Her life with her husband there that summer did not vary in any way, she testified, from what it had been in previous summers.

Q. Did you know anything of the letters introduced here? A. I never heard of them.

Q. Did you know your husband

Hall Sleuth Denies Bribery



HALL DETECTIVE ARRESTED. The status of Felix Di Martini (above on witness stand), private detective for Mrs. Hall, suddenly changed when he was arrested as an accessory after the fact at yesterday's session of the Hall-Mills murder trial. He denied bribery charge and was released on \$3,000 bail for hearing today. (Photo Graphic.)

was keeping a diary? A. No.

Q. Had anything occurred up to the time of his death? Was there any diminution in his affection? A. Certainly not.

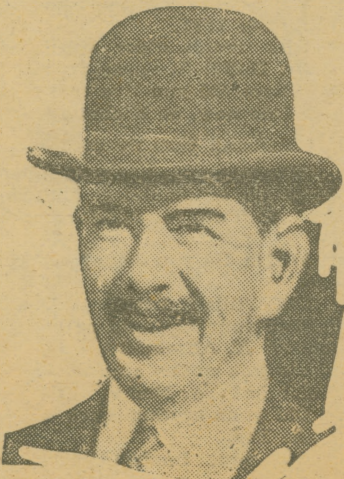
Q. Had you any idea that a clandestine correspondence was being carried on between Mrs. Mills and your husband? A. No idea whatever.

Q. What were their relations so far as you knew? A. She was a church worker.

Mills Was Caretaker

While she was away "Willie" was on a vacation also. James Mills was caretaker of the house during her absence.

Q. What were the relations be-



HENRY STEVENS

Woman Writer Called "Liar" by Sheriff At Hall Trial

Special Dispatch to The GRAPHIC

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Nov. 27.—The afternoon session of the Hall murder trial was pre-

ceded by a clash between Sheriff Tunnison and the press.

When Mrs. Frances Noyes Hart, special writer for the Washington Star, tried to enter the courtroom, the officious sheriff halted her.

"You're a liar," Tunnison told Mrs. Hart when she attempted to explain her status.

The woman is a daughter of Frank B. Noyes, president of the Associated Press and publisher of the Star.

tween your husband and William? A. They were very friendly.

Q. Where did William spend his time? A. He ate at home, lounged about the house, and I guess he spent much time at the firehouse.

Reveals Intimacies

McCarter had Mrs. Hall describe the interior of her house.

Q. On the second floor, Redmond Street side, was what room? A. Our bedroom.

Q. Did you and your husband occupy one bed? A. Yes.

The proud widow did not flinch when McCarter went into the in-

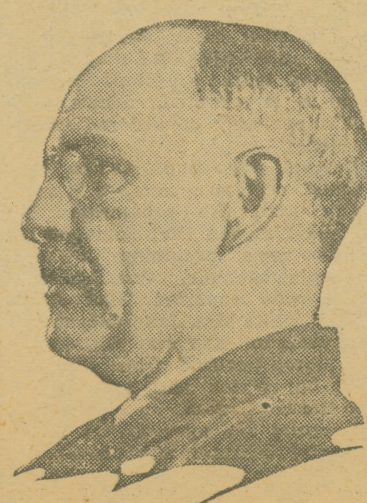
timacies of her life with Dr. Hall. If anything, she lifted her head the higher.

Q. Where was William's room? A. There was a bath between our room and his.

Q. How far from your door was the rear stairway? A. About eighteen feet, I guess.

Q. Did you see when you returned from Islesford, any change between yourself and your husband, or your husband and William? A. None whatever.

Q. On the Wednesday before the tragedy, what occurred? A. We drove to Lake Hopatcong. Mr. Hall and his mother were in the



HENRY CARPENDER

Reveals Intimate Details of Her Life With Slain Rector

front seat of the car. Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Mills and I were in the rear.

Niece at the House

Q. Returning that night, who did you find at the house? A. Dr. Hall's niece, Frances Voorhees.

Q. What kind of a watch did your husband carry? A. A gold watch with a ribbon fob.

Q. Were you familiar with his wallet? A. Yes. He always had some bills in a billfold.

She explained details of some physical changes she made in her house some time after the death of her husband at a cost of \$32,000.

Q. Was your husband fond of children? A. Very fond.

Q. On the day and evening of the fourteenth can you recall your actions?

She told of the visit of Frances, the child. Mr. Hall went out in his car in the afternoon. She was in the kitchen "making preserves." Mrs. Clark called and asked her whether Marion Stokes could take some photographs in the garden.

Mr. Hall came in and went out again a little later and took little Frances with him. "He was going to take some flowers to the hospital," she said.

Phone Call From Mrs. Mills

Mrs. Hall said she received a telephone call from Mrs. Mills in the afternoon.

"She asked if Mr. Hall were home. I said, 'No, do you want to leave a message?'"

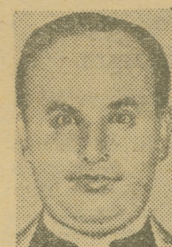
"She said something about a hospital bill which I didn't quite understand."

Mrs. Hall, her husband, "Willie" and little Frances ate supper together and then went out on the piazza.

"I heard the telephone ring and took the receiver off. At the same time I heard Mr. Hall upstairs or Louise Geist called and I put the receiver back again.

Q. And you didn't hear a thing? A. I did not.

She answered the telephone



Rev. E. W. Hall Mrs. Eleanor Mills



downstairs; her husband was upstairs.

Q. What time was that? A. It must have been about 7 o'clock.

The state has contended that Mrs. Hall learned of her husband's tryst with Mrs. Mills through overhearing the telephone conversation. Mrs. Hall testified that she had not placed the receiver to her ear before being informed by Louise Geist, the maid, that the call was not for her. She immediately hung up, the witness testified. Her version of the incident agreed with Miss Geist's testimony earlier in the trial.

His Manner Natural

Later she came inside and she was at a table playing a game with Frances when Mr. Hall came down and said he was "going to see about the bill." His manner was "perfectly natural," she said.

"We sat in the library for a while and then I went upstairs and put Frances to bed and then returned to the library and sat there alone."

He generally returned home at 10 o'clock, "unless he had some meeting," such as sometimes kept him out later, she said.

Q. Was it not his custom to be out often at night? A. Yes.

Q. A milkman has testified that early next morning he had to close a slanting door on the back of

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